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REELFOOT LAKE STATE RESORT PARK

WELCOME TO REELFOOT LAKE...Reelfoot Lake State Park lies in the northwest corner of Tennessee, and will be the site of the next AUDUBON NATURE TOUR, OCTOBER 14 and 15.

This State park contains 18,725 acres, 18,000 of which are water. It harbors almost every kind of shore and wading bird as well as the golden and American eagles. Animals are diverse and abundant, and the many species of plants attract botanists from all over the country. It is well worth a visit just to see the great Cypress trees.

History records that Reelfoot was created by a series of severe earthquakes during the winter of 1811-12. The quakes were so severe that landslides swept down bluffs, large areas of land were uplifted and still larger areas sank. One of these sunken areas filled with water and Reelfoot Lake was born.

Chickasaw Indian legend credits "the wrath of their Gods" with the lake's creation. They tell of Reelfoot, a chieftain, who during his wanderings met and fell in love with Starlight, princess of the Choctaws. Because of a clubfoot, Chief Reelfoot was refused her hand in marriage. Later Reelfoot and his braves kidnapped Starlight and returned to their homeland amid the cypress near the "Father of Waters". While celebrating their success, legend says the earth opened up and swallowed the whole tribe. Later water covered the area.

We'll journey to Reelfoot by bus, crossing the river on the ferry. We will stay in the Inn and our meals will be served at the restaurant. These accommodations are situated out over the lake and nestled among the towering cypress. After a tour, and an extensive ride on a scenic cruise boat, a gourmet dinner will be served. Later in the evening movies of the area will be shown.

The Saint Louis Audubon Society NATURE TOURS are unique, exciting and interesting. Your every wish...weather, birds, accommodations and food, is granted.

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Audubon Wildlife Films

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9001 Clayton Road
8:15 P.M.



Friday
September 29, 1978

Greg and Linda McMillan
"Into Australia's Red Centre"

They said it was the wettest year of the century Down Under-the wettest year in Australia since weather records had been taken. And this was the year the McMillans toured 8000 miles of what was supposed to be a dry land.

The Australian Outback should be dry. It should be arid and reasonably empty looking. It should not be muddy. Nor should it be blooming with so many plants.

But, the advantage of being wildlife cinematographers filming a country gone awry is that the opportunity presented a chance to film nature's splendidly various ways of being different. This Australia was different.

They began the trek at Sydney, went south to Melbourne and then turned north for the Outback. They crossed the red-earthed central portion of Australia, marking off Ayres Rock, Alice Springs and Mt. Isa, to arrive at the tropical northeastern coast...somewhat like crossing the U. S. from Florida to Nebraska to New England in direction and distance but in no other way.

They then went south to Sydney again. A full circle of 8000 miles of wildlife and wilderness. Some of the species they filmed are well known outside Australia. It would be difficult to avoid filming koalas and the kangaroos and who would want to? The wildlife of Australia, however, is a great deal more varied than is too often presented.

One species filmed was the mallee fowl as it maintained its "incubator nest", a large mound of sand and vegetation which incubates the covered eggs with the heat of decaying vegetable matter and the sun. When the young hatch, they are able to feed and fend for themselves immediately.

And on the southernmost tip of the continent, the fairy penguins marched ashore at night, illuminated, for the sake of tourists, by flood-lights. Undaunted, these tiny penguins returned to their burrows to raise their young.

The ostrich-like emu is also featured, as are the spectacular highlights of color which are just some of the parrots of Australia. The film is in large part a bask in the wildlife of a dry land gone wet. Those who have visited Australia know, if they have traveled the Outback, a vast, dry and empty-seeming country. Very few have had occasion to enjoy Australia's wilderness in a "good year".

We look forward to sharing this film experience with you on Friday, September 29.

Focus on the

BETTY
WILSON



St. Louis County Urban Stream Development: Gravois or Deer Creek? Maline or Coldwater Creek?

All four of these streams have in common the problem of excessive dumping, poor water quality, misuse of impinging land, as well as areas of real beauty. The St. Louis County Linear Park Project will demonstrate the use of our urban streams as green belts linking larger parks, recreational areas or shopping centers. One of the target streams will be in the north and one in the south. Two million has been allocated from the County bond issue and this money will be matched by the federal government. Hopefully, sometime in the future work can be done on all four streams.

One example of the success of an urban stream recreational development is Rock Creek in Washington, D.C.; and another is the Little Blue Trace in Kansas City.

Robert Dunkeson of the Department of Natural Resources, says that the above two streams have several things in common. There is enough green space along the main streams of both creeks to - 1) spread flood water and delay downstream concentration, 2) provide streamside vegetation for mollifying temperature and to act as natural pollution filters, 3) enough space for a passive recreational use as an urban trail. This can be achieved here.

Members of the Linear Park Advisory Committee are planning public field trips to these streams during the second and third weeks in September. Workshops for the public to discuss stream uses and choices are set for the fourth week in September and the first week in October. WATCH FOR THESE DATES AND LOCATIONS.

State Legislation - Safe Drinking Water Supplies

SB 509 relates to the Department of Natural Resources water supply program and adds 10 new sections to the state's law. It had enthusiastic citizen support because it would strengthen the state's hand in strict enforcement of regulations, comply with the federal law and allow for a sizeable federal grant to aid the state in enforcing the law.

Further, SB 509 requires the Department of Natural Resources to maintain an inventory of public water supplies and to conduct sanitary surveys of public water systems, and gives the department power to adopt standards, rules and regulations for water supplies. Requires the department to test drinking water for contaminants and gives the department certain power to deal with emergencies affecting drinking water.

The bill contains an expiration date of January 1, 1982. It was signed by the Governor on June 12, 1978.

Alaskan Lands: Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act - HR 39

The goal of this Congressional bill was to insure that a significant portion of America's last great frontier be protected as a national heritage. After many months of intensive effort by countless organizations and citizens, a strong version of HR 39 passed the House by the overwhelming majority of 277 to 31 on May 19, 1978.

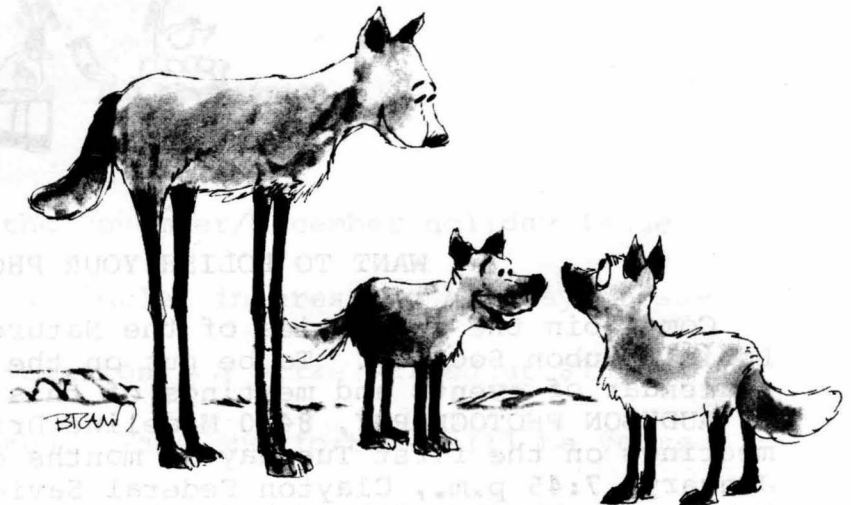
This bill would provide protection for more than a hundred million acres of prime wildlife habitat--for millions of songbirds, water fowl, seabirds, and for caribou, Dall sheep, polar bears, etc.

Alaska senators are threatening to delay through filibuster and other political tactics any action this year on HR 39. The land in dispute doesn't belong to Alaska, but rather to all the people of the United States. Temporary protection for these Alaska lands expires in December. Only if conservationists make a final great effort will this historic legislation succeed. This is a rare opportunity to preserve millions of acres of undeveloped and unscarred land.



The Society's West Central Regional conference is scheduled for September 8-10, near Junction City, Kansas. The conference theme... "Prairie Perspectives", and presentations on different kinds of American Prairies will be made.

For those interested in saving our prairies- and that must include all conservationists- Patricia Duncan is the author of a beautiful new pictorial study of the Tallgrass Prairie. Those of you who have seen her Smithsonian Institution exhibition on the Tallgrass Prairie know the quality of her book and photographs. There are more than 100 pictures and a delightful description of the prairie and its people, past and present. Order from Save the Tallgrass Prairie, Inc., 4101 West 54th Terrace, Shawnee Mission, Kansas 66205. \$20.00 covers book and shipping.



"This is my cousin from the tallgrass prairie."

PHOTOGRAPHS SHOULD SAY SOMETHING

by Lee F. Mason



"One picture is worth more than ten-thousand words!" That's right. The Chinese proverb says 'more than ten-thousand words' and not, as we usually see and hear it quoted "a thousand words."

One photograph can tell more than several paragraphs or even several pages of print. Alfred Eisenstaedt, former LIFE photographer, said he learned how to use his camera not just to find beauty but to "tell a story with visual images rather than words." He emphasized too that in the "humblest, most commonplace subjects" a photographer can find beauty and meaning.

So, occasionally bring your photography in from the vistas - the landscapes, the stretches of

seashore, the mountains folding one behind the other. With vacations and summer travel mostly behind us for the year, try NOT "thinking big" in your photography. Look at, really look at, what surrounds you. There is beauty in the grainy, fibrous, woven, or even dimensional quality of all kinds of surfaces; in the stark contrast of sunlight and shadow at various times of the day - on fence rails, on bridge pilings, on stands of ready-to-reap grain; in the detailing on building facades, especially old churches; in a delicate wildflower underfoot, a glowing mushroom on a rotting log, the sparkle of a dew-drenched spider-web.

The key to arresting, eye-catching, communicating photography is a fresh approach. And that key is there for you to pick up if you will just begin to observe what you are looking at, but not really seeing every day of your life!

Good photography is not magically contained in any little black box. It comes out of the perception of the photographer. Therein lies the magic. The camera and its gadgets are only the means to record that perception on film for others to see.



WANT TO POLISH YOUR PHOTOGRAPHIC SKILLS?

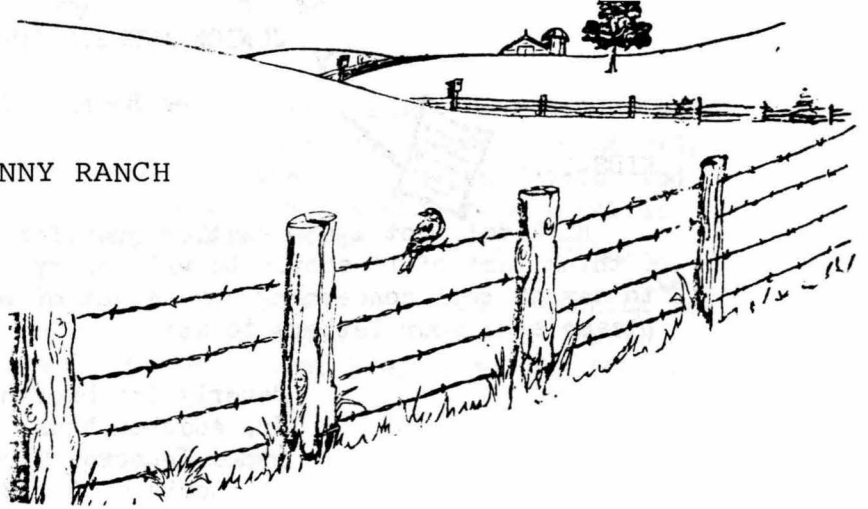
Come join the activities of the Nature Photography Section of the Saint Louis Audubon Society. To be put on the mailing list of THE VIEWFINDER (calendar of events and meetings of this group) send name, address and zip to AUDUBON PHOTOGRAPHY, 8410 Madeline Drive, St. Louis 63114. Indoor meetings on the first Tuesday of months of October through May (none in January) 7:45 p.m., Clayton Federal Savings and Loan, Elm and Lockwood, Webster Groves. We'll be looking for you!

NATURE OUTING AND WORKSHOPS AT SUNNY RANCH

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Once again members of the Saint Louis Audubon Society, their guests and members of the Webster Groves Nature Society will be privileged to enjoy the hospitality of Burrell and Ruby Pickering at their home, Sunny Ranch.



On Sunday, October 22 we have been invited to spend the day with the Pickerings. Plan to arrive after 11:00 a.m. Activities will be geared to both the novice and expert, and will be conducted by experienced naturalists in nature workshops. These will be in the fields of birds, insects, pond life, wildflowers, trees and geology. For your convenience the Pickerings will erect signs identifying the name of the leaders and the area in which each workshop will be held.

In addition to the workshops, hikes of varying length can be made over the well marked trails maintained by the Pickerings. The Nature Museum with the fine collections will be open.

This will be a very special day, and the best way to welcome our beautiful Missouri fall season. Bring your family, friends, field guides and lunch. Let's join in a day of fun and a great learning experience.

DIRECTIONS: West on I-70 to Foristell exit, a distance of about 32 miles west of Lindbergh. Turn left and head south on Highway T for 5 miles to Highway M. Drive for 1 1/2 miles to Highway O. Turn left on O and drive another 2 miles to the Sunny Ranch gate. The gate is painted red and marked with a sign on a pole. Enter and drive 1/2 mile to the parking area of the Pickering Ranch. A warm welcome from Burrell and Ruby awaits you. Be sure to bring your camera. It is time to have some of your pictures in THE BULLETIN.



HELP...HELP...HELP

We need a crossword puzzle for the November/December holiday issue of THE BULLETIN. Try your hand at a simple, interesting holiday crossword puzzle - be sure to send the solution. A prize valued at \$10.00 will be given for the puzzle accepted. Fame and fortune will be yours. Deadline for next issue of THE BULLETIN - holiday issue - OCTOBER 15.

by Beverly J. Letchworth

KIDS-TALK



Hi kids! Got a new section just for you! And since it is for you, I think part of it should be written by you. So if you have anything to say or tell concerning any aspect of nature or environmental issues, please send your letters to me:

Beverly Letchworth
Jr. Audubon News
11826 Tescord
St. Louis MO 63128

I'll try to put in as many letters as I can each issue, so make sure you include your name and age.

How about some starter questions?

How do you feel about the sport of hunting? Do you go hunting with your dad or another adult? Do you own your own gun or bow and arrow?

Let me hear from you!

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WILDLIFE TRAILS

Come follow me down a country road.

The day was quiet. Only the soft songs of birds sounded in the woods. Suddenly a piercing whistle shrieked beside me! I was so startled I almost lost my skin right there. What was it?

I stood still trying to peer every which way without moving my head. I wanted a good look at that something. Finally I saw a brown, chunky, furry head move in the brush. A woodchuck! He had just sounded his warning whistle.

I climbed up the embankment of tall weeds and found the woodchuck's hole that led to his den. I could see a sloping tunnel, smooth and neat, about a foot wide. His burrow system could be 50 feet long with a separate sleeping room and toilet chamber. Woodchucks, or ground hogs, are the largest members of the squirrel family. They can move fast, climb trees and swim. During winter they hibernate.

I walked back down the hill and sat down to watch. After a long wait, I finally saw him poke his head up from the hole. But he came no farther. He knew I was still there. Finally I got up and started back down the road.

Maybe my woodchuck was a female and had raised young. When woodchuck babies are 6 weeks old, Mother leads each one to a new den nearby and visits them every day teaching them survival lessons until they can be on their own.

I peeked back over my shoulder. The woodchuck was still watching me. And I would keep my eyes open too when I hiked here again. Maybe I would see him, for woodchucks are homebodies, keeping within 100 yards of their dens.

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UPBEAT

! If you like challenges, President Carter invites you to enter the President's Environmental Youth Awards Program. Kindergarten to 12th grade students are eligible to receive awards for environmental projects in their community. Each project needs an adult sponsor. If you want more info, write:
President's Environmental Youth Awards
United States Environmental Protection
Agency (A107)
401 M Street, S.W.
Washington DC 20460

! Nine species of animals could be endangered in Missouri due to energy developments in several counties. They are: gray bat, Indiana bat, Higgins eye pearly mussel, upland plover, marsh hawk, red-shoulder hawk, least weasel, Missouri black bear and northern bald eagle.

! Give a hoot! Don't pollute! So says Woodsy, the owl, the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture Forest Service's newest spokesman (excuse me, spokesBIRD). You will see Woodsy on bumper stickers and billboards reminding us to help clean up America.

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OFFBEAT

Here are some interesting facts that are fun to know . . .

- * More bees are usually out on a windy day than a calm one, because since their eyes are rigid in their sockets, they can see better when other objects are moving.
- * Our little ruby-throated hummingbird beats his wings 70 times per second, while our common crow flaps only 2 times per second.
- * Squirrels have a keen sense of smell and actually can "sniff out" a bit of food several inches underground which they buried months before.
- * At least one half of earth's atmosphere, by weight, is concentrated in only a $3\frac{1}{2}$ mile layer next to earth's surface.

GAME FUN

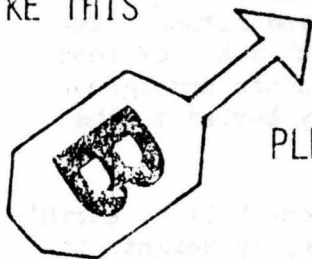
Can you think of an animal's name starting with each letter of the alphabet. A.....B.....C.....D.....E.....F.....

WATCH FOR GREEN or BLUE-BREASTED SANDPIPERS

FROM EARLY JULY THROUGH OCTOBER
MIGRANT SEMIPALMATED SANDPIPERS
WILL BE BREAST-DYED GREEN OR BLUE
AT GRAND FORKS, NORTH DAKOTA,

WE ARE INTERESTED IN THE MOVEMENTS OF THESE BIRDS AND WOULD
APPRECIATE REPORTS OF ANY SIGHTINGS.

SOME BIRDS WILL ALSO CARRY
UNIQUE WING TAGS. IF YOU
SPOT A BIRD WEARING A TAG
LIKE THIS



PLEASE NOTE:

WING TAGGED-

LEFT OR RIGHT

TAG COLOR-

WHITE, YELLOW, ORANGE, DARK RED,
BRIGHT RED, BRIGHT GREEN, DARK BLUE,
BROWN, BLACK

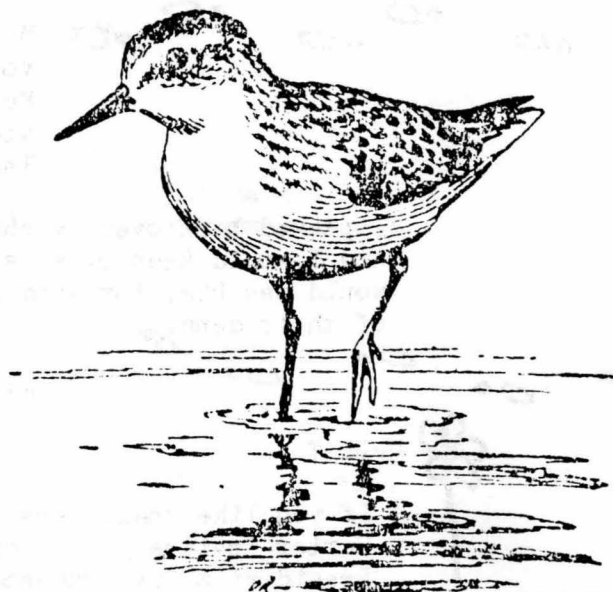
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drawing by orville o. rice

PLEASE SEND REPORTS OF
DYED OR TAGGED BIRDS TO:

SHOREBIRD SURVEY-DAVID LANK
LANGMUIR LABORATORY
CORNELL UNIVERSITY
ITHACA, NEW YORK 14853 USA



OBSERVATIONS

by Jack Van Benthuisen



JANUARY - Thayer's, Iceland and glaucous gulls were reported early in the month by several observers from various spots along the Mississippi River from Alton Dam down to Chain of Rocks. Ben and Bill Manley reported a white-winged crossbill as did Don and Nell Menke. Mary Frances Goodloe observed a black-legged kittiwake at Portage Des Souix. The Christmas Bird Count at Busch Wildlife area was highlighted by Phoebe Snetsinger's discovery of a golden eagle. A flock of 20 evening grosbeaks was found at a feeder at Elsay, Illinois. Helen Wuestenfeld found three snow buntings in a flock of over 200 Lapland longspurs west of Jerseyville, Illinois, on the 19th and 20th. Due to severe weather reports were scattered on the hermit thrush and red-breasted nuthatch, but 13 great blue herons standing on the ice at the open waters edge at Horseshoe Lake was certainly unusual.

FEBRUARY - As the weather became more severe due to snow cover, reports of redpolls began to trickle in. A report by Bill Manley on the 29th of January of three redpoles at his feeder in Webster Groves brought many observers. Little did anyone realize how common this species would become during the month. Evening grosbeaks were also reported by many observers. Rough-legged hawks were common in St. Charles. Floyd and Vi Hallet observed two snow buntings on Church Road in St. Charles County on the 11th, while George and Terry Barker reported a goshawk on Otterville Road near Jerseyville, Illinois on the 25th.

MARCH - Redpolls were still in abundance, the Barkers had as many as 21 at their yard feeder and the Hallets reported a flock of 50 to 75 in St. Charles County. But when Terry Barker examined her flock of redpolls one morning she discovered a female hoary redpoll. This bird was later seen by her husband and several others the next morning. This was the first of its species to be seen in this area. Bill Rowe reported a great black-backed gull at Alton Dam (for the first record since 1968) on the 17th. Ron Goetz found a LeConte's sparrow at Kenrick Seminary on the 22nd and water pipits in St. Charles County earlier in the week. Tim Barksdale found an eared grebe at Horseshoe on the 25th. Dr. Laffey discovered a flock of near 100 Smith's longspurs near Little Creve Coeur Lake on Easter Sunday, which were hotlined. Many observers still found them the next morning.



APRIL - This month saw the bitter end of the severe winter for snow which reached a record accumulation and remained on the ground a record length of time. This brought forth the usual early migrants such as the ducks, turkey vulture, chimney swift, yellow throated warbler, blue-gray gnatcatcher, the swallows, phoebe, hermit thrush, cormorant and the herons. Bill Boesch showed the Thursday Group an immature Harris' sparrow at the Busch area on the 6th. As the month progressed apparent that the warblers, flycatchers and shorebirds were not going to be as plentiful in migration this year as in years past. Birders worked hard and long to search out these migrants, many of which were quite late. On the afternoon of the 23rd, I received an excited call from Tim Tarmeter who reported a white-faced ibis in St. Charles County. He was anxious to have someone verify his find, and promised to lead me directly to the bird. I imagined a distant look at a bird far off in some inaccessible marsh. I was quite pleased to find the white-faced ibis right beside the road. We were able to approach within 30-40 feet of the bird and leisurely examine it closely through our scopes. It was the first spring record of this species in over 50 years! Bill Rudden found a piping plover and Swainson's hawk on the 26th in the Fountain Creek area. The Barkers reported an avocet and Phoebe Snetsinger an eared grebe in their search for the ibis.

MAY - Big Day on the 6th produced such excellent finds as white-faced and glossy ibis, yellow rain seen by Richard Call, black vulture and Mississippi kite by Dick Anderson, California gull by a group in Illinois, black-throated blue and Connecticut warblers. The warblers finally arrived but never in the numbers, or waves, as expected. Cape May warblers were found in Forest Park by amny observers. Both cuckoos, blue grosbeak, grasshopper sparrow and Bell's vireo all arrived quite late in the month. A Hudsonian godwit was reported late in the month at Ballwin Farms and a western kingbird was discovered on the 27th by the wariter in St. Charles county after a fruitless search for the godwit.

JUNE - With migration over birders sought out the resident birds missed during migration. They went to Kaskaskia State Park to find the Mississippi kite, to Busch for Bell's vireo, blue grosbeak and lark sparrow, and to the Arboretum at Gray Summit to find the prairie warbler. Fish crows were reported from the levee area south of Jefferson Barracks bridge in Illinois. Bluebirds have been scarce this year because of the hard winter, I recorded my first one at the Arboretum on the 18th.

JULY - It seems that the shorebirds no sooner arrive at their nesting grounds and they turn around and return. By the end of the month many interesting species are reported. Bill Rudden found a ruddy turnstone at Horseshoe Lake on the 16th, and a marbled godwit was hotlined on the 29th. Bill Rudden does find good birds, and on the 16th, he discovered a Louisiana heron as well as several yellow-crowned night herons at Horseshoe Lake.

AUGUST - Horseshoe Lake, the most productive area this time of the year, produced many interesting shorebirds finds...Knot, piping plover, both dowerwitchers, willet, buff-breasted sandpiper, western sandpiper, black-bellied plover and Wilson's phalarope. Also, reported from the same area were a white pelican, snowy egret, and two very early mergansers- a female common, and a male red-breasted. The year hardly two-thirds past, has already produced 282 species. .

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The November-December issue of THE BULLETIN will carry a most interesting account of Big Day, May 6. It is a fine article, and should not be cut. CLH, Editor.

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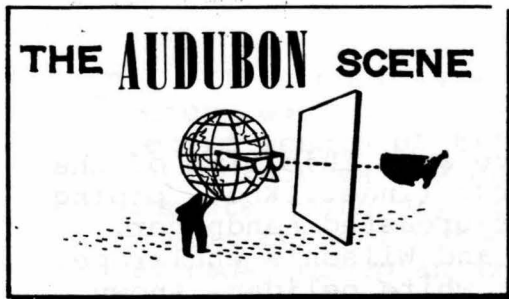
CHECK LIST OF BIRDS OF THE ST. LOUIS AREA

Start the fall birding season with a new supply of the Audubon check list of birds of the St. Louis area. Order now for discount price.....25 copies for 50¢, plus postage.



THE CHORTLING LIFE-LIST ADDER

Names of Life Listers and Yearly Species Listers with numbers will be published in the January/February issue of THE BULLETIN. Can you top Bertha, Dick, Jack, Phoebe, Ron, Bill and Martin? Send your name and number to Jack Van Benthuisen, 217 Sylvester Avenue, Webster Groves, 63119.



Dues to Increase; Dues-split to be Revised

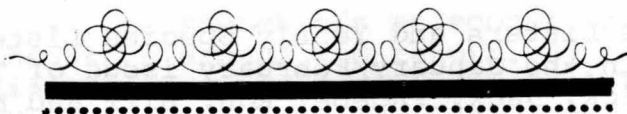
National Audubon Society membership dues will be increased September first, and a new system of figuring the chapters' share of the dues will go into effect at the same time. Under this new system student and senior citizen individual memberships will be raised to \$13.50; the individual membership to \$18.00 and family to \$21.00.

There will be some decreases in the amounts paid to the chapters under the new dues-sharing formula. There will also be a provision aimed at having the chapters share the cost of National Audubon's membership promotion program. With the new system when any new membership comes in to the national office, the national organization will withhold \$3.00 from the chapter's share that year, unless the chapter can show that it was the chapter's own effort that led to this new membership.

It is very important now that ALL NEW MEMBERSHIPS BE SENT TO THE LOCAL OFFICE, 2109 Briargate, St. Louis 63122, if the St. Louis Audubon is to receive full financial benefit. Your chapter operates on the dues-sharing with national and your generosity in contributions to the projects of this society.

We do not clutter your mail asking for money, we do not bombard you with requests to buy pictures, books, or trinkets. And we do NOT sell our mailing list, nor do we carry advertisements. All of which has been suggested from time to time. We do not believe these things are in the best interest of this chapter.

Now we must ask you to help us by simply mailing new memberships with checks to the local chapter rather than to National Audubon. We need your help and appreciate your cooperation.



The Saint Louis Audubon Society is proud to be listed in the Guide to St. Louis Scientific/Technical Organizations and Clubs published by the St. Louis Museum of Science and Natural History.

Copies of this important guide-directory may be obtained by writing the St. Louis Museum of Science and Natural History, Oak Knoll Park, Clayton and Big Bend Roads, St. Louis, 63105, or calling 726-2888.



EXECUTIVE SECRETARY RESIGNS

The Saint Louis Audubon Society board has accepted with deep regret the resignation of Mrs. Jay G. Rice as Executive Secretary.

For many years, Bonnie, as she is affectionately known to members of the Society, served faithfully and efficiently. It was due to her efforts the mailing list was always up-to-date, and the Bulletin properly mailed. Bonnie designed all the special invitations and Alerts with a special expertise. She was the catalyst for many innovative ideas- the annual dinner and the tours just to name two- and graciously opened their home for many board meetings. Her special place in the Saint Louis Audubon Society can never be filled. #30, reluctantly written.

Appreciation is also expressed to Laura and Anne Dengler who so ably assisted with the mailings of the Society.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BUY AN ISLAND?

At press time it has been learned Clarksville Island has been purchased. This is the island near Clarksville, Missouri where the northern bald eagles roost in winter and is the good viewing site at the time of the annual Eagle Count in February. The island is being logged and plans are being made by the owner to develop another Silver Dollar City on this island. IS THAT WHAT WE NEED AND WHAT YOU WANT? Please be alert and learn how your disapproval may be expressed. The island is up for sale. Wont you buy?



LET'S S O A R

Contributions will be accepted at the Wildlife Film showings for the support of Project SOAR. The Saint Louis Audubon Society started SOAR, Save Our American Raptors, with a grant-in-aid of \$1,500 yearly to the Professor of Veterinary Pathology at the University of Missouri-Columbia. This is one of the most important projects of the Society, and your help is needed.

REELFOOT LAKE TOUR, OCTOBER 14,15.

Mail your check now. Don't be left at the dock!



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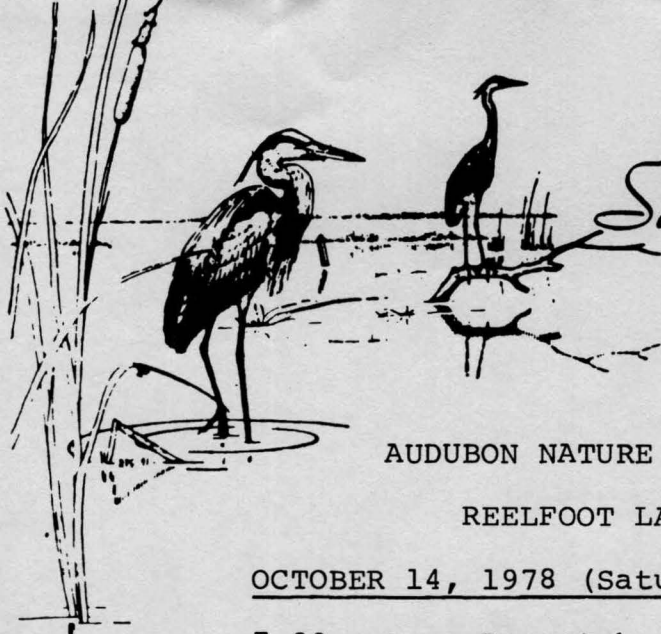
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REELFOOT LAKE STATE PARK, Tiptonville, Tennessee

OCTOBER 14, 1978 (Saturday)

7:30 a.m. Depart by bus from Howard Johnson's Lodge,
1200 South Kirkwood Road. Cars may be parked
in a designated area.

12: noon A special luncheon stop near Sikeston, Missouri.

Following luncheon drive to Reelfoot Lake for a driving and
walking tour of the area. You will then take a tour on the
scenic cruise boat.

5:30 p.m. Audubon Attitude Adjustment Hour.

6:30 p.m. Dinner at the Inn.
Following dinner movies will be shown.

OCTOBER 15 (Sunday)

8:30 a.m. Breakfast at the Inn. Following breakfast tour
by bus, boat and hiking the Reelfoot Lake area.

12:30 p.m. Board bus for St. Louis with a stop for a smor-
gasbord shortly after we cross on the ferry.

This trip will be an educational experience for the novice as
well as the seasoned birder and nature buff. Beautiful vistas,
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Tear off reservation slip, mail with your check for \$75.00 per
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